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1. TORONTO GLOBE & MAIL ON JUNE 5 PUBLISHED ARTICLE
ENTITLED "MISUNDERSTANDING - US DENIES IT SOUGHT SECRECY
ON GARRISON."

2. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, DATELINED WASHINGTON, "THE
US INTERIOR DEPARTMENT SAID YESTERDAY THAT NO MATTER HOW
IT LOOKS, IT IS NOT TRYING TO HIDE ANYTHING FROM CANADA."
THE ARTICLE REFERS TO MEMORANDUM LEAKED TO PRESS AND
REPORTED IN REFTEL. THE ARTICLE ALSO QUOTES CONGRESSMAN
CHARLES VANIK THAT THE LEAKED MEMORANDUM "WAS CREATING A
GREAT DEAL OF ILL-WILL IN CANADA" AND THEN CITES A SPOKESMAN
FOR THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION AS SAYING "THE WHOLE THING IS
A MISUNDERSTANDING. THE PROPOSED STUDIES SUGGESTED
IN THE COMMISSIONER'S MEMO...WERE NOT CONCERNED WITH
POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES TO THOSE SECTIONS OF THE PROJECT
PROTESTED AGAINST BY CANADA... WHAT HE WAS REFERRING
TO WAS - SHOULD WE NOT BE ABLE TO PROCESS THE WATER TO
CANADA'S SATISFACTION - WHERE COULD WE USE THAT WATER
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WITHIN THE US?"

3. COMMENT: TYPICALLY, THE DENIAL HAS NOT RECEIVED
AS MUCH ATTENTION AS THE ORIGINAL LEAKED MEMORANDUM AND
THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION REMAINS SUSPECT IN CANADIAN
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